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Dear Mr. Chairman:

We have reviewed S.Con.Res.60 expressing the sense of the Congress that an impartial investigation of all the alleged sightings of Raoul Wallenberg be made.

The Soviet government recently agreed to receive an international commission seeking to determine the fate of Raoul Wallenberg and to assist in an open-ended investigation to that end. The Soviet government has agreed to open its prisons and archives to the commission, which includes several former political prisoners and a member of the Russian parliament.

This commission traveled to Vladimir prison in August to investigate prisoners' reports of seeing Mr. Wallenberg in the 1950's and later. The commission studied the prison's archives but did not uncover any conclusive new evidence as to Mr. Wallenberg's fate.

We will continue to press all agencies of the Soviet government to be more forthcoming on Mr. Wallenberg and will continue until they provide a full and satisfactory account of his case. The recent visit by an international commission is a beginning and we hope it will lead to a fuller explanation of his fate.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that from the standpoint of the Administration's program there is no objection to the submission of this report.

Sincerely,

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